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From Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the

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21st May, 1947

at 6.20 p.m. and day, 1947

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USCOW,

Washington D.C.

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GIANT

by telegram No. 1816.

Palestine.

The General Assembly met on 1st May and adopted its agenda. The United Kingdom item was included without a vote. The Arab item was rejected by 24 votes to 18 with 13 abstentions.

2. On the 2nd May the General Committee considered the applications from 4 Jewish agencies (the fourth being Baldwin's Political Action Committee) for a hearing at the General Assembly. The Polish and Czechoslovakian delegates supported by the Soviet delegate presented a resolution proposing that the Jewish agency should be heard at the plenary session. The United States delegate proposed that the 4 applications should be referred for decision to the first committee adding that he was not yet in a position to say what the United States view would be on the method by which it should be heard.

3. I said that I wished all properly interested parties to be given a fair hearing and that it was our view that this should be accorded by the investigating committee. I opposed a hearing now in plenary session. As for the first committee our conception of its work was that it would deal with purely procedural matters. It should be clearly understood that outside parties could take no part in the discussion of United Nations procedure. If they were allowed to participate at all the limits of their participation would have to be precisely defined.

4. The Canadian delegate who is also chairman of the first committee made it clear that he would endeavour to confine its work strictly to the constitution and instruction of the investigating committee and that in his view these were procedural questions.

5. I subsequently moved an amendment to the United States resolution with the effect of empowering the first committee to consider future applications in addition to the 4 already received. This will make it possible to give the Palestine Arabs equal treatment with the Jewish organisations. Thus amended the United States resolution

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was accepted by the Egyptian delegate. It was adopted by 11 votes with 3 abstentions the Polish proposal having being defeated by 8 votes to 3 with the Latin Americans abstaining.

Foreign Office please pass to Moscow as my telegram No. 178.

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(To Permanent United Kingdom Representative to United Nations)

No. 1323

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R. 12.10 a.m. 4th May 1947

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IMMEDIATE
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Palestine.

My immediately following telegram contains the text of a draft Resolution which has been handed to us by the United States delegation on the formation of the Investigating Committee and its terms of reference.

2. I think it is wise to state the terms of reference in this broad and simple way. In the first paragraph of the draft I should like to substitute for "question" the words "future government". And in the second clause of the terms of reference I should prefer "receive" to "hear".

3. I shall also try to secure the addition of a final paragraph on the following lines: "The General Assembly calls upon all governments and peoples to refrain, pending action by the General Assembly, from the threat or use of force or any other action which might create an atmosphere prejudicial to the reaching of an early settlement of the question of Palestine."

4. Otherwise, subject to the result of discussion with the Dominion delegations and to any comment you may wish to make I propose to accept the draft as a basis for the First Committee's work.

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See also E3724 for Sir A. Cudde's suggested amendments.

This draft seems generally acceptable. The

Minister of the Colonies has, however, expressed
doubts as to whether the passage at the end of
the 4th para: (marked x) is entirely clear.
The meaning presumably is that the Committee
should put forward alternative proposals
for a solution of the problem with their
recommendations for regarding each proposal.

Hel, New York.
1362,
6, May

H. B. O.

Cropper and
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It is understood that this is what Mr. Grech
Jones would wish, rather than that the
Committee should put forward a single
proposed solution, and I think this is in
line with our own ideas.

Perhaps this could be clarified by slight
amendments to the draft.

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United Nations Dept.

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Palestine.

My immediately preceding telegram.

Following is text.

[Begins]

Whereas the General Assembly of the United Nations has been called into special session for the purpose of constituting and instructing a special committee to prepare for the consideration at the next regular session of the Assembly of the question of Palestine, the General Assembly resolves:

to establish a committee consisting of one representative of each of the following Governments:

to instruct the committee:

to assemble, analyse, and collate all pertinent data on the question; to hear testimony from interested Governments and from such non-governmental organisations and individuals as the committee in its discretion may deem appropriate; to study the various issues which are involved and to present to the next regular session of the Assembly such solution or solutions of the problem of Palestine as it may determine to be useful for the effective consideration of the problem by the General Assembly, together with its recommendation concerning each solution:

to authorise the committee, in consultation with the Secretary-General with a view to ensuring adequate administrative services and economy, to sit in whatever locality or localities it may consider necessary or desirable for the fulfilment of its functions;

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requests the Secretary-General to enter into suitable arrangements with the proper authorities of any State in whose territory the committee may wish to sit or to travel, to provide necessary facilities, and to assign appropriate staff to the committee; authorises the Secretary-General to reimburse travel and subsistence expenses of representative and adviser from each Government represented on the committee on such basis and in such form as he may determine most appropriate in the circumstances: authorises the Secretary-General to advance from the working capital fund such funds as may be required to finance the expenses of the special committee without regard to existing limitations on such advances.

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Sir A. G. G. G.
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June

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Your

1324 [1 May]

I agree that draft is acceptable, and I approve amendments you propose.

2. It seems better that Committee should formulate arguments for and against all the various solutions which it thinks worthy of assembly's consideration, rather than that it should produce a recommendation that one of these solutions be approved and the others rejected. Presumably this ~~is what~~ corresponds to the intention of the present draft?

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D. 9.35 p.m. 6th May, 1947

6th May, 1947

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GIANT

Your telegrams Nos. 1323 and 1324 [of May 3rd. Palestine].

I agree that draft is acceptable, and I approve amendments you propose.

2. It seems better that Committee should formulate arguments for and against all the various solutions which it thinks worthy of Assembly's consideration, rather than that it should produce a recommendation that one of these solutions be approved and the others rejected. Presumably this corresponds to the intention of the present draft?

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24. Heaven's General

London 14. April

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Mr Stokes' Comments are much to the point. The function of the Committee to be set up by the Assembly will be to hear the "Objective Statements" advocated by Mr Stokes. Our own attitude must be one of neutrality.

I don't think Mr Stokes
can expect a reply, as he will
be moving around.

Private Sec.

1/25. sent
May 6
(BEITH)

It now appears also (according to this morning's
press) that the Political Committee of the Assembly is
to hear both the Jewish Agency and the Arab Higher
Committee.

[Handwritten signature]

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? copy of C. A. Cadogan.

No action seems necessary on this telegram. WMB:gt

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FROM BEIRUT TO FOREIGN OFFICE

Mr. Houstoun Boswall
No: 326
1st May, 1947.

D. 1. 15 p.m. 1st May, 1947.
R. 5. 30 p.m. 1st May, 1947.

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IMPORTANT

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Following from Stokes for Secretary of State.

Personal.

(Begins).

Palestine.

On completion of my tour of Arab States the following observations may be useful.

I am convinced that all expect the opportunity to present objective statements at the meeting now taking place in New York. Any attempt at suppression of expression of views will be regarded as due to Anglo-American Jewry which has already had, and continues to have, every advantage in publicity. I consider it essential that every opportunity should be given for discussion. Furthermore everyone is assuming in the light of your own speech in the House of Commons that the British Delegation will show sympathetic understanding of the Arab case. I hope this is understood. Fact finding commissions have no (repeat no) buyers.

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BRITISH LEGATION,

STOCKHOLM.

130/8/47

6 MAY

28th April, 1947.

Dear Department,

Please refer to your letter E 1854/46/31 of the 27th March regarding Einar Åberg's anti-Semitic literature.

We have spoken to the Head of the Legal Department of the Foreign Ministry here. His reply followed exactly the lines of Baron Lagerfelt's letter of 20th March to which of which you sent us a copy on the 3rd April (E 2818/46/31). He added that the Swedish authorities were for the moment at a loss to know what effective steps could legally be taken to stop Åberg's activities. They were considering whether the law dealing with the despatch of pornography through the post could be applied somehow to Åberg's case; but as even that traffic was difficult to check if the objectionable literature was enclosed in plain envelopes or wrappers, without the sender's name, it was doubtful whether the application of that law, if it were possible, would be effective. The matter was however under active consideration and if some method of stopping Åberg's activities could be devised, we would be informed.

Our Commercial Department are investigating Åberg's case with a view to ascertain from what sources he obtains his funds. The fact that his printers are Swedish Nazis and he himself is a member of Nazi organizations, and also certain other circumstances, give us cause to suspect that he may be using hidden German assets. If this can be proved we should no doubt be able to put a stop to his objectionable practices.

Yours ever,

STOCKHOLM CHANCERY

Eastern Department,
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Parliamentary Question

* 69. Sir Waldron Smithers.—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, what was the cost of the damage resulting from the oil installation fire at Haifa caused by terrorist activity; and what steps he is taking to raise the money in Palestine. [Wednesday 30th April.]

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PALESTINE

Terrorist Damage, Haifa

30. Sir W. Smithers asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies what was the cost of the damage resulting from the oil installation fire at Haifa caused by terrorist activity; and what steps he is taking to raise the money in Palestine.

Mr. Creech Jones: No accurate estimate of the cost is available, but the Shell Oil Company, whose installations were those damaged in this terrorist outrage, has through its representatives in Palestine expressed the opinion that the ultimate cost of restoration, including the value of the oil stocks destroyed, will be not less than £400,000. No financial liability for damage done by terrorists is accepted by the Palestine Government. The question of possible steps to recover the cost of this damage is still under consideration.

Sir W. Smithers: Is the right hon. Gentleman aware that the best means of restraining terrorists is by means of a communal fine and insistence on it being paid?

Mr. Creech Jones: The whole of this problem is now under consideration.

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of facts. Further Committee initial list.

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The suggested action would seem justified
in the circumstances, - provided U.N. Dept
and S.A. Dept see no objection

U.N. Dept
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S.A. Dept
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Off tel: to Montevideo

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W. Montevideo

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When will the Committee be sitting? Dr.
MacEachern will certainly be needed in London
while the Anglo-Uruguayan Financial and Trade
talks are in progress. The Uruguayan Mission
arrives in the U.K. on May 22nd.

Apart from this, there seems no objection.

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Mr. Tamm's point is a good one.

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(From Permanent United Nations Representative to the United Nations)

No. 1353.

5th May, 1947.

At 7.45 a.m. 5th May, 1947.

At 8.30 a.m. 6th May, 1947.

Repeated to Washington
Montevideo.

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By tele ram 1325: Palestine.

Opinion among Latin American group appears to be crystallising in favour of Mr. and Mrs. Araya who Chairman has indicated as his preferences for membership of fact-finding committee on Palestine.

3. United States delegation who are in either supporting the above choices share our doubts with regard to the personal qualifications of the Uruguayan representative to this assembly if Araya be elected.

4. General Abreguero unfortunately labours under the disadvantage of a very limited knowledge of any language except Spanish. He is also greatly impressed by the fancied dangers to his government of an alleged popular movement in Uruguay in favour of the Jewish agency.

5. You may therefore care to instruct US Agent's representative at Montevideo to express to the Uruguayan government, if and as soon as Uruguay has been elected, the hope that the best available representative will be chosen for this responsible task. The best person would of course be our best but if he can be spared.

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New York del: no: 1332 [J May 5th:
membership of Palestine Committee]
paragraph 4.

Please act accordingly as soon
as you hear from Sir A. Cadogan
that Uruguay has been ~~elect~~
elected,

for the purpose of the election
which is to be held in
the city of Montevideo
on the 12th of May
and will be held in
the presence of the
representatives of the
various countries in the
area and I hope,
that the election will be
a success.

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New York telegram No. 1352 [of May 5th:
membership of Palestine Committee] paragraph 4.

Please act accordingly as soon as you hear from Sir L. Cadogan that Uruguay has been elected, but do not press for release of Marc Tachen unless this is spontaneously suggested because we think his government will want him to remain in London for the Anglo-Uruguayan financial talks beginning in the third week of May, which they must regard as of overriding importance.

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U.K. Delegation,
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telegram to.*

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May, 1947.

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IMPORTANT

Following for Beeley from Eastern
Department.

Goodman, of Agudas Israel, informs
us that his organisation had agreed
that the Jewish Agency should represent
them in the hearings before the *Political*
~~Committee~~ *Committee* on the understanding that
only ~~the~~ interim policy on immigration
into Palestine was to be discussed.
Jewish Agency had now changed their
mind and wished to raise the whole
question of the future of Palestine *at this stage* and
Agudas Israel were no longer willing to
be represented by them.

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DEPARTMENTAL NO. 1.

(To Permanent United Kingdom Representative
to the United Nations .

8th May 1947.

D. 7.50 p.m. 3th May 1947.

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Following for Beeley from Eastern Department.

Goodman, of Agudas Israel, informs us that his organisation had agreed that the Jewish Agency should represent them in the hearings before the Political Committee on the understanding that only interim policy on immigration into Palestine was to be discussed. Jewish Agency had now changed their mind and wished to raise the whole question of the future of Palestine at this stage and Agudas Israel were no longer willing to be represented by them.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

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Addressed to S. of S.

Repeated to Washington, No. 102.

" " B.M.E.O., Cairo No. 73 (please pass copy
to C.-in-C., M.E.L.F., and
Ambassador).

" " Amman No. 609.

" " Damascus by savingram.

Terrorist Incidents.

At 1500 hours on 30th April a land mine consisting
of two four gallon petrol tins containing a large quantity
of explosive and wire, was found buried in the side of
the Jaffa Jerusalem road on outskirts of Jerusalem. Mine was
dismantled by Security personnel.

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" to R.M.E.O., Cairo, No. 77 (please pass
copy to Ambassador and C.-in-C.).
" to Amman, No. 649.
" by telegram to Damascus.

In Tel Aviv this morning, three cases occurred in which armed Jews entered shops, forced out the occupants and set fire to the premises with incendiary bombs.

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(4) In 1969 Louis or Lila Ray a powerful book was found on a tree by the roadside a hundred yards from the military court building in Jerusalem. Book was disassembled.

On 20 March 1969, at 2000 hours on 21st May, at a point about 1 mile west of Yodha, a military patrol consisting of personnel on the railway line. Two of them who were there were carried away and considerable numbers of children and dogs in a corridor were found in their condition.

(c) In 2012, however, on 14th May a time bomb exploded at the entrance to the cinema at Jaramba Camp. Five L.A.R.'s were slightly injured.

(4) At 2100 hours on 11th May three explosions occurred on the railway line 2 kilometers north of Hachya. Bombing was resumed.

(c) At 0530 hours on 15th May a mine was found and eliminated just outside Jerusalem, on Lydda-Jerusalem branch 1431.

(1) At 0600 hours on 10 April 1967, there was a fire in the engine room of the ship.

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D. 16th May, 1947.

R 17th " " 07.00 hrs.

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" " B.M.E.O. Cairo No.82 (please pass copy to C-in-C., and Ambassador).

" " Beirut, No.698.

" " Amman, No.699.

" by airmail to Damascus.

Terrorist incidents.

At 08.35 hours on 16th May a C.I.D. car was damaged and the driver, a British Constable, fatally injured when a parked vehicle which it was passing was blown up by remote control in Haifa. Two British Constables and a Jewish Police Inspector were also slightly injured.

2. The British Army Officer stated to be seriously injured in paragraph (9) of my telegram No.969 has since died.

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General Incident.

The following information was received from the British Consulate in Jerusalem on 10/10/48. It relates to a general incident which took place in the city of Jerusalem on 10/10/48. The incident involved a group of British citizens who were in the city at the time of the incident. The incident was a result of a general strike which was called by the Arab population of the city. The British citizens were in the city at the time of the strike and were affected by the general strike. The British Consulate in Jerusalem has been informed of the incident and is currently investigating the matter.

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R. 28th " " 22.00 hrs.

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" " Amman, No. 776.

" " by airmail to Damascus, No. 226.

My telegram No. 1045 to Secretary of State only.

Terrorist incidents on 27th May.

(a) At 10.52 hours an explosion occurred in Ramle railway station, completely wrecking the building. One civilian was slightly injured.

(b) At 10.45 hours on the Haifa Kantara Line near Benyamina an explosion occurred as a goods train was passing. No casualties and no damage to train. Slight damage to track.

(c) At 10.30 hours on the Lydda Jaffa line near Tel Aviv an explosion occurred under a goods train. Slight damage to track. Line appears to have been remote controlled.

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" " Memin No. 110 (Please pass copy to C.-in-C. and Ambassador).

" " Amman, No. 900.

" " Damascus (telegram).

Terrorist incidents.

At 11.05 hours on 18th June, an explosion occurred in the basement of a house near the Military Cantonment in Citrus House, Tel Aviv.

On investigation, the body of a Jew was found at the opening of a tunnel 45 feet long and 2½ x 2½ feet cross section leading in the direction of Citrus House. The tunnel was timbered and construction must have been in progress for a considerable time. In the basement was a chalked message in Hebrew, reading "The Hagana were here. We want you by force not to carry out your evil intention. Signed Hagana". Outside the building was a vehicle which had been removed, that moving without permission, from the Municipal Garage. It was loaded with cement.

2. It appears that the Hagana had learnt that an attempt by the dissidents to blow up Citrus House was in

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At about 16.30 hours on 22nd June an attempt was made by five or more Jewish terrorists (one a woman) to abduct Mr. C.J.C. Powell A.S.P. I/C Frontier Control while shopping in Jerusalem. Alarm was raised by nearby Jewish shopkeeper after Powell had been struck on the head and temporarily rendered unconscious. Assaulters made off. None of the attackers was arrested. Powell sustained slight injuries only.

Four pistols, two coils of rope, bandages and a (corrupt group) of chloroform were found on the scene.

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Terrorist Incidents.

At about 1.30 p.m. on 25th June, an unsuccessful attempt was made by Jewish terrorists to abduct Mr. A. Major, M.B.E., A.D.M., Administrative Officer to Government Liaison Office set up in connection with United Nations Committee of Inquiry. Mr. Major was attacked by a group of men on entering his wife's flat in King George's Avenue. Mr. Major's wife is Jewish. Although struck on the head he resisted their attempts to chloroform him and ran outside where the occupants of a passing military vehicle saw him and stopped. The attackers escaped after firing at the car and wounding its driver in the arm.

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At 22.00 hours on 28th June in Hadar Hacarmel Haifa, the occupants of a taxi opened fire with automatic weapons on the occupants of a cafe. Two magazines were fired. Three British Army officers were wounded one was since died. Other officers in the cafe at the time rushed out and returned the fire. A tyre of the taxi was punctured and it was secured, but the occupants escaped. In the taxi were found one Sten gun, one bloodstained T.S.M.C. and 2 grenades.

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2. At 21.40 hours on the 28th June Police were informed by an anonymous telephone call in English that shooting had occurred in Allenby Road, Tel Aviv. On investigation it appeared that some fifteen shots had been fired at four British soldiers who were walking along the street. Three of the four have died of their wounds, the fourth is less seriously wounded. The exact circumstances of the attack are not yet known.

3. During the night of 28th/29th June, a small bomb exploded behind the Vienna Cafe in Jerusalem. There were no casualties. Ende.

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Terrorist Incidents.

At between 1500 and 1530 hours on 29th July, two British Officers and three B.O.R.s of 1st Guards Brigade were attacked by a number of armed persons, believed to be Jews, while bathing near Herteeleiya. One British Officer was struck over the head and sustained injury and two British Other Ranks were wounded, one seriously.

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Terrorist incidents on night 16/17 July.

(A) At 17. 50 hours an electrically detonated mine exploded on the Petah Tiqva - Lydda Road, damaging two military trucks carrying personnel. One B.O.R. killed one B.O.R. seriously injured and two B.O.Rs. slightly injured. Four Jewish suspects arrested.

(B) At 18.05 hours an electrically detonated mine exploded on the Haifa Telaviv road north of Petah Tiqva. A passing jeep was damaged and four of its occupants, one British Officer and three B.O.Rs. were injured.

(C) At 22.42 hours in Jerusalem two W. D. trucks were damaged by electrically detonated mines. Two B.O.Rs. were seriously wounded and eight other members of His Majesty's Forces were injured.

(D) At 22.50 hours in Jerusalem an escort car was slightly damaged by the explosion of a mine. No casualties among occupants. Eight civilians were slightly injured as a consequence of the explosion.

(E) At 17. 40 hours near Hadera an electrically detonated mine exploded near a military staff car travelling on the Haifa Jaffa road. Slight damage, no casualties.

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Terrorist incidents.

(1) At 05.15 hours on 18th July near Kfar Bili (Rehovoth)
a military truck was damaged by an electrically detonated
mine. One British sergeant fatally wounded. Three B.C.R.'s
slightly injured.

(11) At 05.00 hours automatic fire was directed at a
military vehicle in Jerusalem. One British sergeant and
one British private wounded. One Jewish civilian seriously
injured.

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" B.M.E.O. Cairo No. 126 (please
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My telegram No. 1361.

Terrorist incidents on 18th, 19th and 20th July.
up to 11.00 hours.

(a) At 09.05 hours on 18th July, a military
staff car and jeep were fired at near Jerusalem on Jerusalem
Jaffa road. No casualties.

(b) At 17.45 hours on 18th July in Jerusalem,
a grenade was thrown at personnel on duty at a road gate.
One P.O. slightly injured.

(c) At 19.30 hours on 18th in Jerusalem,
an incendiary bomb was thrown at a police vehicle causing
it to catch fire. No casualties.

(2) At 05.45 hours on the 18th July, an
electrically detonated mine exploded on the main Gaza road
south of Rehovoth, extensively damaging a W.D. truck.

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One B.O.R. fatally injured and three B.O.R.'s slightly injured.

(e) At 19.55 hours on the 19th July in Haifa, two British constables in civilian clothes were fired on from behind by three persons believed to be Jews. One of the British constables was killed instantly and the other critically injured. One Jewish civilian was also fatally injured.

(f) At 19.45 hours on 19th July, an incendiary bomb was thrown at a police patrol in Jerusalem. The bomb failed to explode. Jew who had thrown bomb was arrested by a British constable. Crowd intervened and in the confusion the Jew escaped. Later, person corresponding to description of escaped prisoner, was arrested.

(g) At 20.00 hours on 19th July, an incendiary bomb was thrown at a police patrol car in Jerusalem. Driver sustained minor burns.

(h) At 21.38 hours on 19th July, a military truck was blown up by a mine in Jerusalem resulting in the following casualties:-

seriously injured 2 B.O.R.'s, slightly injured one British constable, five Jewish civilians.

(i) At 07.35 hours on 20th July, a J.S.P. patrol reported a mine on the railway S.R. of Haifa which was dismantled by army.

(j) At 07.45 hours on 20th July, a mine was found on the railway line between Rehovoth and Ibna. It was removed by army.

(k) At 07.45 hours on 20th July, a pressure type mine with time attachment was found on Jaffa-Jerusalem railway line.

(l) At 08.40 hours on 20th July, a mine exploded under a goods train near Jaffa on Lydda-Jaffa line. Engine and track slightly damaged. No casualties.

(m) At 09.00 hours on 20th July, a goods train was mined between Haifa and Hadera. Track slightly damaged. Otherwise no damage or casualties.

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Terrorist incidents.

(1) 20th July (continued from my telegram under
reference).

(a) At 1200 hours (noon) a mine exploded in
front of a goods train on the main Haifa-Kantara line
between Zichron Yagov and Benyamina. Track slightly
damaged. No casualties or damage to train.

(b) At 1300 hours an electrically detonated mine
exploded on the Jaffa-Haifa road north of Hadara as a
15 cwt. W.D. vehicle was passing. One B.O.R. killed, two
B.O.R.'s seriously and one B.O.R. slightly injured.

(c) At 1655 hours in Jerusalem a British
Constable on duty at Mustashfa billet was shot and wounded
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(d) At 2243 hours an electrically detonated mine exploded in Jerusalem as a police armoured car was passing. Two British Constables and one F.P.C. slightly injured.

(e) Between 2300 and 2330 hours Mustashfa police billet was fired on. No casualties.

(f) At 2305 hours a police armoured car was fired on in Jerusalem. No casualties.

(g) At 2310 hours an electrically detonated mine exploded in Jerusalem injuring three British Constables in an armoured car.

(h) At 1930 hours a military camp at Tel Litwinsky was attacked by mortar and machine-gun fire. No casualties.

(II) 21st July.

(i) At 0120 hours a military camp in Haifa was attacked with grenades and machine-gun fire. No damage or casualties to security forces. One Jewish attacker fatally wounded.

(j) At 0350 hours a military installation in Haifa was attacked and radio equipment was destroyed by explosives. Four Palestinian S.P.'s injured, none seriously. One Arab civilian seriously injured by a mine. There was also extensive road mining.

(k) At 0930 hours a mine exploded on the Haifa-Jaffa road near Hadera. No casualties or damage.

(l) At 1200 hours (noon) minor damage was caused by explosion to I.P.C. pipe line near Kfar Yehoshua in Haifa district.

(m) At 1830 hours in Haifa a W.D. jeep was blown up by an electrically detonated mine. Two British soldiers and one Jewish policeman injured. One Jewish boy killed. Three Jewish civilians injured.

(n) At 1850 hours the I.P.C. pipe line was damaged by two explosions near Affuleh.

(p) At 2030 hours bomb was found in Haifa and exploded in site by R.E. No casualties.

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In connexion with Sir A. Cadogan's forthcoming statement on the attitude of H.M.G. towards the eventual recommendations of the General Assembly next September, and possible criticism of his statement, the S.G.S. has suggested that Sir A. Cadogan might be given, for his consideration and possible use, an argument in the following sense :-

H.M.G. have had to bring the Palestine issue before the U.N. because their Mandate has become unworkable.

It has been made unworkable partly by outside influences, viz. nationals in other countries intervening in Palestine (with money, Resolutions etc.).

This being so, H.M.'s attitude towards

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the Assembly's recommendations, and the degree of responsibility that they can accept for them must depend (attitude & degree of responsibility accepted) to some extent on those of other States whose nationals have taken a strong interest in the question.

These points will probably not become at all clear until ~~the~~ it also becomes clear what the Assembly's recommendations are likely to be. It is \therefore only natural & fair that H.M.G. should defer defining their attitude until the General Assembly.

Sir A. Cadogan may have to make his statement very soon.

I should be grateful \therefore for any obs. as soon as possible.

M Butler

A/V.

It is a perfectly fair and very telling point. But I think it wants handling with some care. I still feel that our best public case rests on the ground that for a number of reasons (not only that mentioned)

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we have felt unable to work any longer the Mandate as it was originally entrusted to us, that it is therefore for the Assembly to recommend a fresh deal, and that we are no more bound to accept those recommendations in advance (and especially so far in advance as now) than any other member of the United Nations. All that we can fairly add to that (and I think Sir G. Cologan has already been told this) is that our record shows that we have at least as high a sense of the need for responsible action incumbent on all members of the United Nations as anyone else.

A public statement of the kind indicated in Mr Butler's minute seems to me possibly to err by fastening on only one of the causes why the mandate has become unworkable, and it might even be interpreted as being a little peevish in tone. I am not really competent on this point, but I would have thought that there was some little risk of thereby giving some offence to the Arab States and to the United

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States, against ^{both of} whom the point might be thought to be directed.

I would, therefore, recommend that Sir A. Cadogan be given the argument, not for a public statement, but rather for private use in dealing with his colleagues, where I think it could be used with maximum effect, and where the mere fact that we were not trying, but, rather, scrupulously avoiding, to use a (possibly) recomminatory argument of the kind in public might well leave a useful subsidiary impression of our bona fides at all stages of the issue, both present and future.

J. Mason
5.5

From the American point of view I think there is a strong risk that a public statement on these lines might cause resentment in the United States, and we

You may find it useful to have the following argument in your mind. It seems to us suitable for

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signed) H. P. A. Rundall

I share fully the above
views and submit a draft
tel. making use of the last
para. of Mr Mason's minute.

M Butler
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Sir A. Cadogan,
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Telegram.

No. 1347

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Your telegram No. 1295 [of April 30th.

Palestine].

You may find it useful to have the following argument in your mind. It seems to us ^{more} suitable for private use in dealing with your colleagues, ~~rather~~ than for a public statement. Indeed, the mere fact that we are ~~not trying to make~~ scrupulously avoiding ^{the} use of an argument of this kind in public might leave a useful impression on your colleagues.

2. Argument is that H.M.G. have had to bring the Palestine issue before the United Nations because the mandate has become unworkable. It has been made unworkable partly by outside influences, viz. nationals of other countries intervening in Palestine with resolutions, money and so forth. This being so, H.M.G.'s attitude towards the Assembly's eventual recommendations, and the degree of responsibility that they can accept for them, must depend to some extent on the ^{future} attitude of other States and the degree of responsibility accepted by them, including those States whose nationals have taken such a strong interest in the question. These points will probably not become at all clear until it is also clearer what the Assembly's recommendations are likely to be. It is therefore/

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therefore only natural and ^{inevitable} ~~fair~~ that H.M.G.,
like the other members of the United Nations,
should define their attitude at the General Assembly
next September, and not until then.

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No. 1347

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Your telegram No. 1295 [of April 30th: Palestine].

You may find it useful to have the following argument in your mind. It seems to us more suitable for private use in dealing with your colleagues, than for a public statement. Indeed, the mere fact that we are scrupulously avoiding the use of an argument of this kind in public might leave a useful impression on your colleagues.

2. Argument is that His Majesty's Government have had to bring the Palestine issue before the United Nations because the mandate has become unworkable. It has been made unworkable partly by outside influences, viz. nationals of other countries intervening in Palestine with resolutions, money and so forth. This being so, His Majesty's Government's attitude towards the Assembly's eventual recommendations, and the degree of responsibility that they can accept for them, must depend to some extent on the future attitude of other States and the degree of responsibility accepted by them, including those States whose nationals have taken such a strong interest in the question. These points will probably not become at all clear until it is also clearer what the Assembly's recommendations are likely to be. It is therefore only natural and inevitable that His Majesty's Government, like the other members of the United Nations, should define their attitude at the General Assembly next September, and not until then.

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27, PORTLAND PLACE, W.1.
3rd May, 1947.

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My dear Mrs.

May I refer to my letter of the 26th March, 1947, regarding the anti-semitic propaganda activities carried out by Mr. Binar Åberg, a Swedish subject?

The Swedish authorities concerned with this matter have now written to us and said that they have seen reports in the press on the case before a London court of justice against British fascists and among these in particular a Mr. Arnold Leese. Mr. Leese was, the reports said, the person who distributed Mr. Åberg's propaganda leaflets in this country. The papers, I believe "The People" among others, also stated that Leese had had various contacts with Swedish nazis.

We are, as you can understand, rather interested in getting this matter cleared up, and I wonder if you would be good enough to ask the proper British authorities if they would think it possible to let us see that part of their material which may deal with Mr. Leese's or his associates' contact with Swedish nazis.

Yours sincerely
H. G. Wells

(K.G. Lagerfelt)

G.M. Warr, Esq.,
Foreign Office,
S.W.1.

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To

Home Office

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from Mr Cable

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Den BURLEY,

is agreed in our telephone conversation of 8th May. I am sending you herewith a copy of the Swedish Legation's letter about the relations of Mr. Arnold LEESE with Swedish Nazis. A copy of Baron Lugefelt's previous letter of the 26th March has already been sent to your dept.

dept.
You will remember that your
Department originally suggested (in
Sir F. NEWSAM's letter 865, 040/114 of 28th
February) that the Swedish Government
might be approached on the subject
of Swedish anti-Semitic literature
circulated in this country. It is
in this connection that the Swedish
Govt. are anxious to obtain ~~any~~
access to any material bearing
upon the relations of Mr. Arnold
WESSE with Swedish Nazis which
may be in your possession or
in that of the intelligence
authorities.

~~I hope you may be able
to afford them some assistance in
this matter.~~ Please

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(E 3763/46/31)

19th. May, 1947.

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Dear Burley,

As agreed in our telephone conversation of 3th May, I am sending you herewith a copy of the Swedish Negotiation's letter about the relations of Mr. Arnold Reese with Swedish Nazis. A copy of Baron Lagerfelts previous letter of the 26th March has already been sent to your department.

You will remember that your Department originally suggested (in Sir Frank Newsam's letter 865,040/114 of 28th February) that the Swedish Government might be approached on the subject of Swedish anti-Semitic literature circulated in this country. It is in this connexion that the Swedish Government are anxious to obtain access to any material bearing upon the relations of Mr. Arnold Leese with Swedish Nazis which may be in your possession or in that of the intelligence authorities.

Please let me know what reply we can return to the Swedish Legation.

Yours sincerely,

S.H.E. Burley, Esq.,
Home Office.

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Dear Bunkey,

~~Have you yet let me
have a reply to my letter
no. E 3763/46/31 of 19th May about
the relations of Mr. Arnold LEESE
with Swedish Nazis~~

Will you please refer
to my letter no. E 3763/46/31 of
17th May about the relations
of Mr. Arnold Lese with
Swedish Nazis.

I should be grateful
if you would let me know
what reply we should return
to the Swedish Legation.

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Yours sincerely

(Sgt.) J. E. Cable.

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24th June, 1947.

(E 3763/46/31)

Dear Bentley,

Will you please refer to my letter no. E 3763/46/31 of 19th May about the relations of Mr. Arnold Leese with Swedish Nazis.

I should be grateful if you would let me know what reply we should return to the Swedish Legation.

(Sgd.) (J. E. Caule)

S.H.E. Burley, Esq.,
Home Office.

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FROM LALSHINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLOMBES.

D. 5th May, 1947.

R. 5th " " 22.00 hrs.

13 MAY 1947

No. 919

Addressed to S. of S.

Repeated to Washington, No. 105.

S.O.S.O., No. 74 (please pass copy to C.-in-C. and Ambassador).

Alexon, No. 619.

Damascus, No. 690.

Terrorist incidents.

At 16.30 hours on 4th May, a party of armed Jews wearing British Military uniforms arrived in Acre Sag in two Jeeps. Simultaneously, explosions occurred and firing broke out in various parts of Acre town. Four main explosions occurred in the vicinity of the old Turkish Baths and breached the walls of Acre prison. 191 Arab and 60 Jewish prisoners escaped through the breach. At the time of this escape, grenades were thrown into the criminal lunatic section of the prison as a diversion and a number of lunatics received minor injuries. Three unexploded bombs were found in front of the prison, the lighting and telephone systems of Acre town were damaged.

2. Military and Police patrols were immediately organised and one of these, a party of paratroops, having been fired on by a number of Jews, returned fire and inflicted five casualties, one of which was fatal. This was a Jew dressed as a Captain of the Royal Engineers.

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3. Attacks were made on Military camps and mines were laid on roads over a wide area. At 16.30 hours, a Military truck was blown up by a land mine near Kiryat Haim and six British soldiers were slightly injured.

4. At 21.30 hours between Ain Hashofet and Deriot, two W.D. Trucks were found abandoned. In the back of one was a dead unknown Jew dressed in British Military uniform.

5. 12 Jews (2 dead, 3 injured and 7 uninjured) were captured by the Military in a truck north of Acre. One of the dead was dressed as a R.A.S.C. Captain.

6. One Acting A.S.P. was slightly injured, one British Constable received a bullet wound in the leg and is in a dangerous condition.

7. Figures of Jewish and Arab casualties are

- (a) Arab prisoners recaptured - one dead, two injured, nine uninjured, total 12
- (b) Jewish prisoners recaptured - four dead, six injured, two uninjured, total 12.
- (c) 3 Jewish terrorists captured - three dead, one injured, four uninjured, total 8. In addition, one uninjured suspected terrorist was taken.
- (d) Unknown Jews captured - three dead, three injured, seven uninjured, total 13.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 5th May, 1947
R. 5th " " 16.25 hrs.

MOST IMMEDIATE

No. 921

My telegram No. 919.

Following is text of official communique which is to be released here at 1400 hours G.M.T. to-day and which contains up-to-date information. Begins.

At approximately 4.20 p.m. on 4th May, an attack was delivered by armed Jews on Acre prison.

2. A party of armed Jews, some of whom were wearing British military uniforms, arrived in Acre Suq in two jeeps and an army truck. Shortly afterwards, four heavy explosions occurred, which breached the southern wall of the prison. Simultaneously, grenades were thrown into the criminal lunatic section of the prison and automatic small arms fire was directed at the prison from various points.

3. The attackers were engaged by police and troops both in Acre town itself and in the vicinity. As a result of this counter action, three of the Jewish terrorists were killed and five captured, one of whom was wounded. A further Jew was also arrested. Twelve Jewish prisoners were recaptured, four of whom were killed and six wounded in the course of operations. Twelve Arab prisoners were recaptured, one being killed and two wounded.

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4. Troops also intercepted a jeep and a 15 cwt. truck carrying Jews North of Acre. After a brief engagement, twelve Jews were captured, two of whom were dead and three wounded. One of the dead Jews was dressed in the uniform of a Captain of the R.A.S.C. At approximately 9.30 p.m., two army trucks were found abandoned between Ain Hashofot and Doriot Colonies. In the back of one was the body of a Jew dressed in British military uniform.

5. Subsequent to the attack, roads in the vicinity of Acre town were found to be mined. Six soldiers travelling in a military truck were wounded by one of these mines in Kiryat Haim. A mine was also found in Kiryat Bialik.

6. Casualties to police and prison personnel were limited to an Officer slightly injured and a British Constable seriously wounded in the leg.

7. Following the explosion, 185 Arab convicts and 15 Jewish convicts escaped through the breach in the wall. The prisoners were at exercise when the attack took place. These figures are, however, subject to reduction, as reports are being received of further surrenders and recaptures. Ends.

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 State M. Deffoe mentioned to it in the
 that the instructions of the French delegation were
 to support M. Deffoe in securing the limitation
 of discussion at the stage of the agenda
 as proposed by us, and in particular to the
 constitution for examination of enquiry.

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1. Chauvel mentioned to His Majesty's Minister with regard to the present session of the United Nations Assembly on Palestine that the instructions of the French delegation were to support us in securing the limitation of discussion at this stage to the agenda as proposed by us, and in particular to the constitution of a commission of enquiry.

Please repeat in Cypher to U.K. Delegation
New York as my telegram 17.

[Repeated to U.K. Delegation New York.]

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General Assembly Resolution.

Refer New York tel 1334 (E 3758/46/31)

State on May 6 first committee adopted resolution
granting a hearing to Jewish Agency and the
Arab Higher Committee. These and other organizations
representatives for considerable element of population
of Palestine are to present an opportunity to
present their views.

(Minutes.)

The development described in
para. 4 may result in an
attempt to raise the whole
problem at the present session
and this is what the Jewish
Agency are stated by Agudat
Israel to be trying to do.

U.N. Dept.

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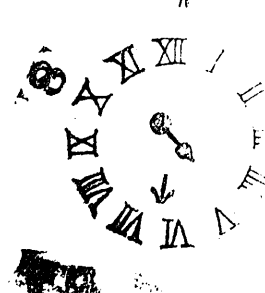
My telegram No. 1334: Palestine.

On 6th May the first committee adopted a resolution granting a hearing to Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Arab Higher Committee. These and any other organisations "representative of a considerable element of the population of Palestine" are to be given an opportunity to present their views "with regard to constituting and instructing the special committee".

2. In the course of the discussion the Arabs protested against the form of the resolution passed by the General Assembly which distinguished the Jewish Agency's application from all others. Despite the evident desire of the Committee to give the fullest possible satisfaction to the Arabs they will not be content until the Assembly itself has formally placed the application from the Arab Higher Committee on the same footing. Meanwhile this application has been withdrawn.

3. In its original form as proposed by the United States of America the resolution provided that no organisation should be heard unless I declared it to be representative of a considerable element of the population of Palestine. There was opposition to this and it was finally decided that applications should be referred to a sub-committee (including the United Kingdom) for advice on the representative character of the applicants. I explained that we had not suggested the

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United States proposal but that I was prepared to assist the Committee in this way if called upon to do so.

4. The original resolution also contained a paragraph explicitly stating that no organisation should be permitted at this stage to express its views on the substance of the Palestine problem. This was deleted by 23 votes to 19, the majority consisting principally of Latin-American and Slav delegates. The Arabs who were sulking at the time abstained from voting.

5. I am afraid this decision may have unfortunate consequences. The resolution of the Assembly which is to some extent restrictive still stands and can be invoked by the chairman of Committee I. But it will be more difficult for him to interpret it strictly after the vote recorded in paragraph 4 above.

Foreign Office please pass to Moscow and High Commissioner Jerusalem as my telegrams Nos. 183 and 2 respectively.

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FROM PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cunningham)

TO S. OF S., COLONIES.

D. 5th May, 1947.

R. 6th " " 07.00 hrs.

No. 325

Addressed to S. of S.
Repeated to Washington, No. 107.

Local press reports of Special Assembly of U.N.O. on the Palestine question are obscure and it is difficult to get a clear picture of what is happening.

2. I should be grateful if you could arrange for a summary of proceedings to date to be sent to me by fast air mail and if thereafter I could be supplied with a daily summary by telegram.

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Foreign Office - Mr. Garrahan.

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Please repeat ~~to~~ (or ask Communications
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(To Permanent United Kingdom Representative to the United Nations)

D. 10.58 p.m. 6th May, 1947

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Please repeat (or ask Communications Department to repeat) to Jerusalem all future telegrams reporting proceedings of Special Assembly on Palestine.

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TO PALESTINE (Gen. Sir A. Cadogan)

FROM S. OF S. COLONIES.

Sent 3th May, 1947. 16.00 hrs.

No. 906.

Addressed High Commissioner Palestine.
Repeated to H.M. Ambassador Washington.

Your telegram No. 925 repeated to
Washington No. 107.

Palestine and United Nations.

My only source of official information on
proceedings of special assembly is periodical
situation telegram from Sir A. Cadogan to Foreign
Office. I have despatched to you under priority
saving telegram all reports received to date and
have arranged for subsequent telegrams in this
series to be repeated to you by New York. I hope
that this arrangement will meet your requirements.

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Foreign Office - Mr. L.F. Garrahan.

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M. Lauder

New York

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Political Resolution on Terrorism.

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in the same direction directing
act of terrorism

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The delegation are already taking steps
to include an amendment on the lines
indicated in para 3 in the resolution
setting out the terms of reference of the
fact-finding committee.

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TELEPHONE:
LONGACRE 5-2070

Ref: 52/70/47.

29th April, 1947.

SECRET.

My dear Neville,

Thank you for your letter E2983/46/G of April 18th about a suggestion by the High Commissioner for Palestine that the United Nations Assembly should be asked at its forthcoming Session to make some declaration deprecating acts of terrorism and in some way "investing the status quo with United Nations authority".

We agree with the view implied in paragraph 3 of your letter that it would be difficult for the Assembly to give any kind of sanction to the status quo (however that expression is interpreted), or even to invite the Jewish community in terms to withhold support from the terrorists, without first going into a discussion of all the merits of the case. It may, of course, be that we shall have to have such a discussion any way, in view of the policy of the Arab countries; and this might at least have the advantage of allowing people to blow off steam and of indicating to the proposed Special Committee the points which should be specially covered in their fact-finding activities. We must, however, continue to hope that we shall succeed in fending off the Arab States' attempt to have a full-dress debate at this stage, and we therefore agree that it would be undesirable to introduce a separate resolution on the lines suggested by the High Commissioner. Such a proposal, moreover, would be open to the objection that it would turn the Assembly's discussions towards the contemplation of past history and of the present unhappy state of affairs rather than consideration of plans for the future, and would thus needlessly complicate the proceedings.

On the other hand, it should not be difficult to induce the Assembly to insert in any resolution passed at its forthcoming

Nevile Butler, Esq., C.M.G., C.V.O.
Foreign Office

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We agree with you that it will be easier to judge in the light of Assembly proceedings how best to give effect to the High Commissioner's suggestion, and we will let you have any further ideas that may occur to us in consultation with the visiting members of the Delegation. Meanwhile, however, this letter may be of some use to you in considering the line which should be followed by His Majesty's Government.

James

Nicholas -

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Initial. Special Committee
Reps New York tel 1344 (E3828/20/31)
Held on May 4. First Committee began
to discuss the terms of reference and composition
of the proposed Special Committee.
Have further remarks.

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D. 8.30 p.m. 8th May 1947.

8th May 1947.

R. 3.00 a.m. 9th May 1947.

Repeated to Moscow
High Commissioner Jerusalem
Washington (Savings)

IMPORTANT
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My telegram No. 1344.

Palestine.

On the 7th May the First Committee began to discuss the terms of reference and composition of the proposed Special Committee. The United States proposal was tabled substantially as given in my telegram No. 1324 with the insertion of the list of States named in my telegram No. 1325 except that Persia is substituted for India.

2. The Delegate for Argentina also presented a resolution dealing principally with the composition of the Committee. This provides that the Big Five should participate together with six other members chosen by lot. Of these, three would be chosen from the States of the American continent, and one each from the Pacific Asian and African States.

3. This was obviously unacceptable. Before the meeting opened Hadew succeeded in persuading the Argentine Delegate to say that he would not insist on his proposal in view of the reluctance to serve on the Committee expressed on behalf of our Governments by the United States Delegate and myself.

4. The debate was interrupted in order that the Indian Delegate might initiate a further attempt to satisfy the Arab Delegates on the conditions of a hearing for the Palestine Arab Higher Committee. The result was that the General Assembly was re-convened and adopted the following resolution.

5. [Begins]

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The General Assembly affirms that the decision of the First Committee to grant a hearing to the Arab Higher Committee gives a correct interpretation of the Assembly's intention.

[Ends].

6. This satisfied the Arab Delegates and it is now expected that the Higher Committee will make an appearance.

Foreign Office please pass to Moscow and High Commissioner Jerusalem as my telegrams Nos. 184 and 3 respectively.

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Position of H.M.G. in Relation to Special Assembly
Recommendations on Palestine

Ref N York tel 1290/E 3662/46/31.

Gives ~~text~~ statement made to
assembly on position of H.M.G. in
relation to special assembly
recommendations on Palestine

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See the S.P.C. comment on the attached
copy of this telegram. ~~At the time~~ I
have not seen any press reports of any
adverse reactions to Sir A. Cadogan's statement,
which is very cleverly phrased.

R.G.
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Repeated to Washington.
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GLANT.

My telegram 1290.

Palestine.

In the First Committee on the 9th May the Lebanese delegate asked me when I would be in a position to make the statement which I had promised in the General Committee on the 29th April. I replied that I was ready to make it at once and spoke as follows.

2. [Begins]. We can claim to be as good a member of the United Nations as any other Government. On the Security Council we have gone to great lengths to avoid exercising our right of veto and we have avoided it. We have tried for years to solve this problem of Palestine. Having failed we now bring it to the United Nations in the hope that they can succeed where we did not. If they can find a just solution which would be accepted by both parties it can hardly be expected that we should not welcome such a solution.

3. All we say is that we should not have the sole responsibility for enforcing a solution which is not accepted by both parties and which we cannot reconcile with our conscience. Is there any other member of the United Nations who in our place would not make so reasonable a stipulation?

4. But if this question is addressed to us concerning our acceptance of any recommendation that the Assembly may

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[Repeated to Moscow.]

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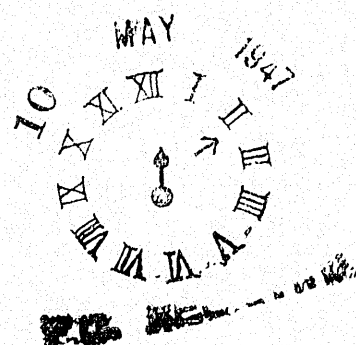
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Lia. Cadogan,
(New York)

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Palestine: Special Committee

Refers to New York Tel to 1348/E3899/46/31
Dr. Silver spoke to Joint Committee on behalf
of Jewish Agency on May 8. After Joint
Committee discussed the terms of reference &
composition of Investigating Committee & set up
Sub-Committee to prepare working paper on terms
& reference

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Palestine.

At the morning meeting on the 8th May Dr. Silver was called to the table of the First Committee to make a statement on behalf of the Jewish Agency.

2. Silver said that since the outbreak of war the administration of Palestine had been conducted without reference to the mandate. The Jewish National Home and the connexion of the Jewish people with Palestine should be regarded as basic concepts by the Investigating Committee. The United Nations could not sanction the violation of treaties and of international law. The Jewish National Home was still in the making. Asking himself when it would be an accomplished fact Silver answered in the words used by Lloyd George before the Peel Commission to the effect that the authors of the Balfour Declaration contemplated a Jewish majority and a Jewish commonwealth.

3. Turning to the subject of the United Nations Committee Silver said that it should visit Palestine. He was confident that it would find that Jewish development was beneficial to the Arabs of Palestine and to the Middle East as a whole. The Committee should enquire into the fundamental causes of the present unrest and violence in Palestine which he deplored. The Jews had no quarrel with the British people and would never forget that it was the United Kingdom which had first recognised their national aspirations. But they condemned British policy in recent years. The Committee should also visit the camps for displaced persons in Europe.

4. A number of delegates asked question to which the Jewish Agency will reply at a later meeting.

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House of Lords

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One Prison Incident.
 Viscount Lonsdale. called at 11 AM.
 had any statement to make re the one
 prison incident.
 Viscount Hall made complete
 statement.

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2.35 p.m.

THE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY (Viscount HALL): My Lords, at half past four in the afternoon of May 4, a party of armed Jews, some of whom were wearing British military uniforms, arrived in British military transport in the market place at Acre. Simultaneously with their arrival explosions occurred in the town and firing broke out in various localities. Four main explosions occurred in the vicinity of the old Turkish baths which abut on the prison and as a result one wall surrounding the exercise ground was breached. This attack took place at the time when the prisoners were at exercise and numbers of Arab and Jewish prisoners escaped through the breach in the wall. At the same time grenades were thrown by the attackers into the criminal lunatic section of the prison, wounding several inmates, and automatic small arms fire was directed at the prison from various points.

The attackers were engaged by police and troops both in Acre town itself and in the vicinity. Immediately after the attack military and police patrols were organized, and one of these, a party of paratroops, having been fired on by a number of Jews, returned fire and inflicted five casualties, one of which was fatal. This was a Jew dressed as a Captain in the Royal Engineers. Troops also intercepted two vehicles carrying Jews north of the town. After a brief engagement twelve Jews were captured,

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After the attack, roads in the vicinity of Acre town were found to be mined. Six soldiers travelling in a military truck were wounded by one of these mines. Other casualties during the attack on police and prison personnel were limited to one officer slightly injured and a British constable seriously wounded in the leg. In the action immediately following the attack, fourteen Jewish prisoners were recaptured, of whom four were dead and six injured. Of the Arab prisoners, twelve were recaptured, of whom one was killed and two injured. Extensive operations have continued for the recapture of the escaped prisoners and further details are still coming in. My latest report on May 6 stated that twenty-nine Jews and 214 Arabs were still at liberty. The fullest investigations into the circumstances of this occurrence are being made.

VISCOUNT SWINTON: My Lords, I am obliged to the noble Viscount for that full statement. Arising out of it, may I ask him two further questions? First of all, of the twenty-nine Jews who are still at liberty, could he say how many of them are convicted terrorists who were in the prison? Secondly, as it is obvious that the object of this unfortunately successful attack was to release terrorists who had been sentenced to long terms of imprisonment and who were incarcerated in Acre prison would it not be a much wiser policy that terrorists who are convicted should be incarcerated in some part of the British territory outside Palestine, instead of being kept in a prison on which it is almost certain that terrorist gangs will make an attack?

VISCOUNT HALL: My Lords, in reply to the first question put by the noble Viscount, twenty-one of the twenty-nine prisoners referred to were members of the Irgun Zvai Leumi. Of those twenty-one, sixteen were serving sentences of fifteen years for carrying and discharging firearms, imposed in April, 1946, following an attack on the railway. Eight of the twenty-nine were members of the Stern Group. Of those eight, five were serving

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[Viscount Hall.]

life sentences imposed in June for carrying and discharging firearms. With regard to the second question, it is true to say that certain of the terrorists have been incarcerated in Eritrea, but—as is well known—difficulties have arisen in connexion with that territory. Some of the prisoners have been transferred to Kenya. The difficulty is to get territories to which one can send the terrorists. An attempt is being made to deal with this matter. It is being considered.

VISCOUNT SWINTON: I am much obliged to the noble Viscount, but surely, though there may be difficulties, those are difficulties which we have often encountered before, and overcome. We have, for instance, put many persons of different kinds in the Seychelles. After all, the lives of British troops are at stake. Here we have a reinforcement of some of the most dangerous of these terrorist gangs; those people have now escaped and have gone back to reinforce the terrorists. Surely this is a much more important and urgent matter than the difficulty of finding somewhere within the wide confines of the British Commonwealth to place those people? May I venture to remind the Government that during the war, when we expected invasion, we found no difficulty in sending the most dangerous Nazi prisoners outside this country, and it was a very good thing that we did so.

VISCOUNT HALL: One could deal with problems of this kind very much more easily during the period of the war than one can now. It would be almost impossible to put any number of these terrorists on a small island like the Seychelles.

LORD HARLECH: Why?

VISCOUNT HALL: There is the question of defence and, indeed, the question of protecting the remainder of the population. The noble Viscount can be assured that this matter has been and still is being considered.

LORD HARLECH: Might I ask this question following on the noble Viscount's reply? Having been at the Colonial Office, and having sent dangerous people to the Seychelles and St. Helena, I should have thought it would be legally possible and much better, to send dangerous terrorists of this kind to some place where

they can be approached from outside only by the sea.

VISCOUNT SWINTON: Yes.

LORD HARLECH: The Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Gang have not got ships; and ships would be detected from those places. As those terrorists are absolute desperadoes and fanatical people, the only hope is to get them far away from places where their co-fanatics can repeat the Acre incident, whether in Kenya, Eritrea or elsewhere. There are the West Indian islands. After all, we are entitled to remove them to anywhere within the British Commonwealth, and I hope that this matter will be seriously considered.

THE EARL OF CORK AND ORRERY: My Lords, in the answer given to the noble Viscount, the Acting Leader of the Opposition, by the noble Viscount on behalf of His Majesty's Government, it was stated that immediately after the explosions patrols of the military and police were formed to search the surrounding areas. But, with a prison situated as this one was, full of hostile prisoners, where it was of the greatest importance to the terrorists that those prisoners should get out, was there no system of patrol in existence beforehand? It would appear almost incredible that preparations for their escape could have been made if military and police patrols had been searching the area. I should like to ask the noble Viscount whether he can assure the House that the military authorities have not been prevented from taking the precautions they would have liked because of any question of appeasement of the population, or any nonsense of that sort.

VISCOUNT HALL: I can assure the noble Earl that there is no interference at all with the military authorities. The military authorities and the civil authorities have been working in the closest co-operation on this matter.

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Dear Prison Record.
M'Gannan, a bit of info will make
statement as OCH 700 incident.
M'Gannan made complete
statement.

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42. **Mr. Gammans** asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies if he will make a statement on the attack by terrorists on the gaol at Acre and the escape of prisoners.

Mr. Creech Jones: At half-past four in the afternoon of 4th May a party of armed Jews, some of whom were wearing British military uniforms, arrived in British military transport in the market place at Acre. Simultaneously with their arrival explosions occurred in the town and firing broke out in various localities. Four main explosions occurred in the vicinity of the old Turkish baths which abut on the prison, and as a result one wall surrounding the exercise ground was breached. This attack took place at the time when the prisoners were at exercise, and numbers of Arab and Jewish prisoners escaped through the breach in the wall. At the same time grenades were thrown by the attackers into the criminal lunatic section of the prison, wounding several inmates, and automatic small arms fire was directed at the prison from various points.

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slightly injured and a British constable seriously wounded in the leg.

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Mr. Gammans: Is not the Minister going to give a better explanation than that, of what is surely a unique occurrence in British Colonial history, when a heavily guarded place like a gaol in a country with a garrison of 100,000 men can apparently be attacked with impunity?

Mr. Creech Jones: I said in the latter part of my reply that I have called for a full report on the whole incident. I have provided the House with the information which, up to yesterday, had come to hand.

Mr. Stanley: In view of the very deep public concern about this incident, will the right hon. Gentleman assure the House that the results of the inquiry will be made available to the House, and that we shall have an adequate opportunity subsequently for debate?

Mr. Creech Jones: I certainly will see that the information that comes to hand is available to the House. With regard to the facilities for debate that, of course, is not a matter for me, but for the Leader of the House.

Major Legge-Bourke: Was the guarding of Acre Gaol the responsibility of the Palestine Police or of the military? What were the orders regarding the arming of the sentries?

Mr. Creech Jones: I shall have to await further information from the Palestine authorities. I have asked for more information. I have given the information which has come to hand so far.

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* 59. General Sir George Jeffreys.—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, whether, in view of the continuance of terrorist outrages in Palestine, more vigorous and sustained operations against terrorists will now be undertaken, including the placing and keeping under martial law of all Jewish towns and settlements. [*Wednesday 7th May.*]

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Petersfield

ANSWERED 7 MAY 1947
REPLY AT 2300 ED.

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Parliamentary Question

- * 61. General Sir George Jeffreys,—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, whether, in order to impress upon the Jewish population of Palestine the necessity for its full co-operation in the suppression of terrorism, collective fines will in future be levied and prominent citizens taken as hostages in localities in which outrages are perpetrated. [Wednesday 7th May.]

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F.O. ARE NOT ASKED TO ADVISE

Thank & reply

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PALESTINE

Terrorism (Preventive Measures)

23 and 25. **General Sir George Jeffreys** asked the Secretary of State for the Colonies (1) whether, in view of the continuance of terrorist outrages in Palestine, more vigorous and sustained operations against terrorists will now be undertaken, including the placing and keeping under martial law of all Jewish towns and settlements;

(2) whether, in order to impress upon the Jewish population of Palestine the necessity for its full co-operation in the suppression of terrorism, collective fines will in future be levied and prominent citizens taken as hostages in localities in which outrages are perpetrated.

Mr. Creech Jones: The maintenance of good order in Palestine depends very largely on the co-operation of the people with the administration and the discharge of the normal requirements of citizenship. In present circumstances, the administration is obliged to carry a difficult and onerous responsibility. It is for the High Commissioner to consider, in consultation with the military authorities, and in the light of events, whether the situation calls for the introduction of military administration in any particular area. The authorities are tackling this problem of terrorism with the greatest resolution and with the most appropriate methods within the capacity of the available resources.

Collective fines have not, so far, been levied on any groups deemed collectively responsible for terrorism. As I mentioned in reply to a question on 30th April by the hon. Member for Orpington (Sir W. Smithers), the question of possible steps to recover the cost of damage done in terrorist outrages is now under consideration, and I cannot, at this stage, add to my reply of 30th April to the hon. Member for Orpington.

Sir G. Jeffreys: Is the right hon. Gentleman aware that these are two separate Questions, and that his answer gave very little information? Is the right hon. Gentleman further aware that the intermittent operation of martial law which

has so far been exercised in Palestine, is far from being effective, that the strain on the troops is very serious indeed, and is being given expression to by the troops, and will the right hon. Gentleman go into this matter much more fully than he has done at present and give a free hand to the local commander to knock out terrorism?

Mr. Creech Jones: All I can say is that the High Commissioner is charged with the responsibility of order in Palestine; he is working in the fullest co-operation with the military authorities; there are no hindrances put in the way of either the High Commissioner or the military authorities by London, and so their decisions are made in the light of the local situation.

Mr. Oliver Stanley: Will the right hon. Gentleman tell the House whether any new action will be taken as a result of the incident at Acre gaol, which has brought British prestige very low?

Mr. Creech Jones: I shall be replying later to a Question concerning that outrage. I have caused very special inquiries to be made, and will be considering what further action can be taken.

Mr. Edelman: Will my right hon. Friend bear in mind that the system of hostages advocated by the hon. and gallant Member for Petersfield (Sir G. Jeffreys) was used without success by the Nazis during the war, and will he also bear in mind that vicarious punishment is completely foreign to the traditions of British justice?

Mr. Janner: When my right hon. Friend is considering these matters, will he please bear in mind that the towns and villages referred to played a very active part, with the Allies, in the course of the war, and will he see that the innocent in Palestine who are doing their share in attempting to stop terrorism will not be prejudiced by such measures as may be taken to put down the terrorists?

Mr. Creech Jones: Obviously, all these points will be taken into consideration, but I am not in a position to make a statement with regard to collective fines.

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General Sir G. Jefferys. 1st number of
revision of Memorandum recorded in Palestine
in 12 months ended 30 April 1947. Temporary
death sentences carried out. 111 hanged.
Low numbers 1099 sentenced to imprisonment
28 sentenced to death. four executed.

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* 60. General Sir George Jeffreys.—To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies, how many convictions of terrorism have been recorded in Palestine in the 12 months ended 30th April 1947; how many death sentences have been passed; and in how many cases the death sentence has been carried out. [Wednesday 7th May.]

Petersfield

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Mr. Creech Jones: Ninety-seven Jewish terrorists were sentenced by military courts to terms of imprisonment, and 28 to sentences of death. There were no convictions by civil courts. Of the Jewish terrorists sentenced to death, two committed suicide while awaiting execution, and four were executed.

Sir G. Jeffreys: Was not this leniency very misplaced, and cannot the persistence of outrage and murder be attributed, to some extent, to the leniency with which offenders and murderers have been dealt?

Mr. Creech Jones: That is a matter of opinion.

Mr. Stanley: Could the right hon. Gentleman say how many of the 97 terrorists sentenced to imprisonment have since escaped?

Mr. Creech Jones: I am not in a position to say, but I am trying to get that information.

Mr. S. Silverman: Does not my right hon. Friend agree that all these lamentable events will never be fully eradicated, and law and order will never be restored in Palestine until His Majesty's Government announce and introduce a constructive political policy, and that it is impossible for the Government to impose order merely by force without any policy of any kind?

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I submit draft reply.

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Private Secretary to
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To answer this correspondence fully would
require a long letter, but I think it would be
sufficient to send him a short, politely negative
reply. The question he raises is, indeed,
primarily the concern of the C.O., but
as he is a constituent of the P.S., I assume
that the Rev. would wish the reply to go
from the P.O. We shall however secure
C.O. concurrence.

I submit a revised draft.

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I have spoken to Mr. Fitzgerald (C.O.) who has suggested
certain alterations to our draft, and I have revised
para 2 accordingly.

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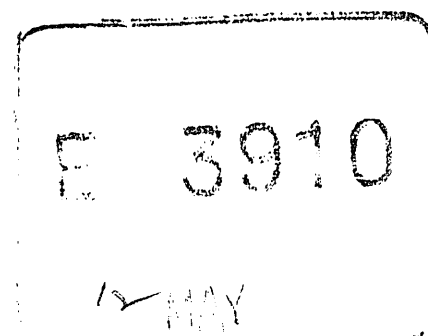
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King's College
Cambridge.

May 2nd 1947.

Rt. Hon. Ernest Bevin, P.C., M.P.,
House of Commons,
Westminster, London S.W.1..



Dear Mr. Bevin,

I am writing to you both as the Member for my home district and as our Foreign Secretary about something which has long been disturbing me, but which has now been brought home so clearly by Claude McKay's personal account of an illegal immigration attempt, "Our Goal was Palestine", that I feel compelled to address this to you. In some measure every person in this country is responsible for the unspeakably horrible business of keeping Jewish people, who have already suffered beyond words, as if they were again in the hands of their persecutors. Whatever our motives and whatever the circumstances, there can be no excuse for once more subjecting them to the despair & degradation of herded prisoners behind the wire.

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Without prejudicing the long-term solution you are trying to find for Palestine & the Jews there are things which can be done at once to bring hope & friendship to these unhappy people - nothing can be more important and it is unthinkable that we leave them to become our enemies or our ghosts.

So long as conditions in Europe do not improve there will continue to be desperate attempts to reach Palestine: threat & punishment cannot deter them. We cannot evade our unwanted responsibility - we can turn it, however, to unlimited opportunity for constructive peace-making.

Our treatment of these refugees (for refugees they essentially are) needs complete transformation. It would be possible, for example, to make the concentration camps of Cyprus into great rehabilitation centres for the world's most harassed guests. Food & freedom are the first essentials and after that should come every attention that we have it in us to provide. There are voluntary organisations with trained teams who could carry the thing through and funds could be raised the world over.

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We must show these people that come what may they will be cared for, and that we still have humanity & high principle which count not the cost, but act in faith. If we offer to take a proportion into England of those who cannot go to Palestine, other nations may follow. It is through such action that we can be a real force for peace in the world: it will find friends where there were none before and it will give courage to the many who still have some belief in us.

You have just returned from Moscow where you must often have all but despaired of making real progress in an atmosphere of suspicion & threats. In such a situation the only hope lies in ~~such~~ great actions unselfishly taken for the sake of the common people of the one world.

I humbly and earnestly beg that, in the name of the Russian people & the things they believe in in their better moments, you befriend these homeless Jews & so make good a most terrible thing that we are guilty of.

Yours faithfully & hopefully, Michael J. Barclay.

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Mr. Michael
J. Barclay,
Kings College,
Cambridge.

from

Private Secretary

*P.S. to Mr. Barclay.
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FOREIGN OFFICE, S.W.1.

May, 1947.

Dear Mr. Barclay,

The Foreign Secretary has asked me to
thank you for your letter of 6th May regarding
the treatment of Jewish illegal immigrants
detained in Cyprus.

2. ~~While~~ This is a matter which primarily
concerns the Colonial Office. ^{near Helen} Mr. Bevin has
~~asked me to say that your suggestion that~~
~~the~~ illegal immigrants should be given
special consideration is not a practicable
one and that it is moreover not in accordance
with the policy of H.M.G.

2. This is a matter which primarily
concerns the Colonial Office. Mr. Bevin
has nevertheless asked me to say that
Jewish welfare organisations are already
operating in these camps ^{on the lines advocated} as suggested
in your letter.

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(Sgd.) John Hennessy.

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The Foreign Secretary has asked me to thank you for your letter of the 6th May regarding the treatment of Jewish illegal immigrants detained in Cyprus.

you also help

(Sgt.) John Hamrick

(Private Secretary)

M. J. Barclay, Esq.,
Kings College,
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